## Proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute House Bill 1746 (H-1440.1)

House Capital Budget Committee
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## Substitute House Bill (as recommended by the Innovation, Community & Economic Development, & Veterans Committee):

- Requires the Statewide Broadband Office (Office) to develop and maintain a state broadband map.
- Requires "covered entities" to submit data concerning broadband infrastructure deployment to the Office to assist in developing and maintaining the state broadband map.
- Requires broadband service providers to have provided broadband mapping data to the Office in order to object to a proposed Public Works Board (PWB) broadband project.
- Allows the PWB to prioritize applications from broadband service providers who have submitted broadband mapping data to the Office within the previous year.

## Proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute House Bill (H-1440.1) compared to the Substitute House Bill (as recommended by the Innovation, Community & Economic Development, & Veterans Committee):

- Requires the Office to use the most current version of the national broadband map maintained by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as the basis for the state broadband map.
- Requires the Office to review the national broadband map for deficiencies and to inform covered entities of the necessity to submit accurate mapping data to the FCC and to the Office.
- Permits the Office to consult with broadband stakeholders to determine the availability of broadband infrastructure data that is not included in the national broadband map and that may be used to populate the state broadband map.
- Establishes that the Office may only share data with other state agencies or with a contractor under an agreement that adheres to applicable requirements regarding data sharing agreements.
- Removes the provision requiring the Office to establish a process to receive and evaluate petitions to correct inaccuracies in the map.
- Allows the Office to contract with a private entity or third-party consultant to investigate and verify the
  availability of broadband infrastructure and services in locations of the state where discrepancies have been
  identified regarding the status of a location as served, unserved, or underserved.
- Permits the Office to use certain information collected as part of its broadband mapping duties to submit bulk challenges to the national broadband map.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a state broadband map; amending RCW
- 2 43.155.160, 43.330.534, and 43.155.165; reenacting and amending RCW
- 3 42.56.270; adding a new section to chapter 43.330 RCW; and repealing
- 4 RCW 43.330.400, 43.330.403, 43.330.406, and 43.330.409.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.155.160 and 2022 c 201 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) The board, in collaboration with the office, shall establish a competitive grant and loan program to award funding to eligible applicants in order to promote the expansion of access to broadband service in unserved areas of the state.
- (2) (a) Grants and loans may be awarded under this section to assist in funding acquisition, installation, and construction of middle mile and last mile infrastructure that supports broadband services and to assist in funding strategic planning for deploying broadband service in unserved areas.
- 17 (b) The board may choose to fund all or part of an application 18 for funding, provided that the application meets the requirements of 19 subsection (11) of this section.
- 20 (3) Eligible applicants for grants and loans awarded under this 21 section include:

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- 3 (c) Nonprofit organizations;
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  - (e) Multiparty entities comprised of public entity members;
- 6 (f) Limited liability corporations organized for the purpose of expanding broadband access; and
  - (g) Incorporated businesses or partnerships.
- 9 (4)(a) The board shall develop administrative procedures 10 governing the preapplication and award process. The board shall act 11 as fiscal agent for the program and is responsible for receiving and 12 reviewing applications and awarding funds under this section.
  - (b) At least sixty days prior to the first day preapplications may be submitted each fiscal year, the board must publish on its website the specific criteria and any quantitative weighting scheme or scoring system that the board will use to evaluate or rank applications and award funding.
  - (c) The board may maintain separate accounting in the statewide broadband account created in RCW 43.155.165 as the board deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.
  - (d) The board must provide a method for the allocation of loans, grants, provision of technical assistance, and interest rates under this section.
  - (5) An applicant for a grant or loan under this section must provide the following information on the preapplication:
  - (a) The location and description of the project, including detailed end-user location address information for each passing;
  - (b) Evidence regarding the unserved nature of the community in which the project is to be located;
  - (c) Evidence that proposed infrastructure will be capable of scaling to greater download and upload speeds;
  - (d) The number of households ((passed)) that will gain access to broadband service as a result of the project or whose broadband service will be upgraded as a result of the project;
- 35 (e) Evidence that before submission of the application, the 36 applicant contacted, in writing, all entities providing broadband 37 service near the proposed project area to ask each broadband service 38 provider's plan to upgrade broadband service in the project area to 39 speeds that meet or exceed the state's definition for broadband

- service as defined in RCW 43.330.530, within the time frame specified in the proposed grant or loan activities;
  - (f) If applicable, the broadband service providers' written responses to the inquiry made under (e) of this subsection;
- 5 (g) The proposed geographic broadband service area and the 6 proposed broadband speeds in the form and manner prescribed by the 7 board;
  - (h) Evidence of community support for the project; and
  - (i) Any additional information requested by the board.

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- 10 (6) An applicant for a grant or loan under this section must 11 provide the following information on the application:
  - (a) The final location and description of the project;
- 13 (b) Evidence that the proposed infrastructure will be capable of scaling to greater download and upload speeds;
- 15 (c) The number of households passed that will gain access to 16 broadband service as a result of the project or whose broadband 17 service will be upgraded as a result of the project;
- 18 (d) The estimated cost of retail services to end users 19 facilitated by a project;
- 20 (e) The proposed actual download and upload speeds experienced by 21 end users;
- 22 (f) Evidence of significant community institutions that will 23 benefit from the proposed project;
- 24 (g) Anticipated economic, educational, health care, or public safety benefits created by the project;
  - (h) If available, a description of the applicant's user adoption assistance program and efforts to promote the use of newly available broadband services created by the project;
    - (i) The estimated total cost of the project;
- 30 (j) Other sources of funding for the project that will supplement 31 any grant or loan award;
- 32 (k) A demonstration of the project's long-term sustainability, 33 including the applicant's financial soundness, organizational 34 capacity, and technical expertise;
- 35 (1) A strategic plan to maintain long-term operation of the infrastructure;
- 37 (m) If applicable, documentation describing the outcome of the 38 broadband service providers' written responses to the inquiry made 39 prior to or during the preapplication phase; and
- 40 (n) Any additional information requested by the board.

- (7) (a) The board shall publish on its website for at least 30 days the proposed geographic broadband service area and the proposed broadband speeds for each proposed broadband project submitted in the preapplication period.
- (b) The board shall, within three business days following the close of the preapplication cycle, publish on its website preapplications as described in subsection (5) of this section.
  - (c) The board shall set an objection period of at least 30 days.
- (8) (a) Any existing broadband service provider near the proposed project area that has submitted broadband mapping data to the statewide broadband office pursuant to section 3 of this act within the previous year may submit in writing to the board an objection to a proposed broadband project. An objection must contain information demonstrating that:
- (i) The project would result in overbuild, meaning that the objecting provider currently provides, or has begun construction to provide, broadband service to end users in the proposed project area at speeds equal to or greater than the speeds contained in the definition of broadband in RCW  $43.330.530((\frac{(2)}{2}))$  (4); or
- (ii) The objecting provider commits to complete construction of broadband infrastructure and provide broadband service to end users in the proposed project area at speeds equal to or greater than the speeds contained in the definition of broadband in RCW  $43.330.530((\frac{(2)}{(2)}))$  (4), no later than twenty-four months after the date awards are made under this section for the grant and loan cycle under which the preapplication was submitted.
- (b) Objections submitted to the board under this subsection must be certified by affidavit.
- (c) The board may evaluate the information submitted under this section by the objecting provider and must consider it in making a determination on the proposed broadband project objected to. The board may request clarification or additional information. The board may choose to not fund a project if the board determines that the objecting provider's commitment to provide broadband service that meets the requirements of (a) of this subsection in the proposed project area is credible. In assessing the commitment, the board may consider whether the objecting provider has or will provide a bond, letter of credit, or other indicia of financial commitment quaranteeing the project's completion.

- (d) If the board denies funding to an applicant as a result of a broadband service provider's objection made under this section, and the broadband service provider does not fulfill its commitment to provide broadband service in the project area, then for the following two grant and loan cycles, the board is prohibited from denying funding to an applicant on the basis of a challenge by the same broadband service provider, unless the board determines that the broadband service provider's failure to fulfill the provider's commitment was the result of factors beyond the broadband service provider's control. The board is not prohibited from denying funding to an applicant for reasons other than an objection by the same broadband service provider.
  - (e) An applicant or broadband service provider that objected to the application may request a debriefing conference regarding the board's decision on the application. Requests for debriefing must be coordinated by the office and must be submitted in writing in accordance with procedures specified by the office.
- (f) Confidential business and financial information submitted by an objecting provider under this subsection is exempt from disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.
- (9) (a) In evaluating applications and awarding funds, the board shall give priority to applications that are constructed in areas identified as unserved.
- 24 (b) In evaluating applications and awarding funds, the board may 25 give priority to applications that:
  - (i) Provide assistance to public-private partnerships deploying broadband infrastructure from areas currently served with broadband service to areas currently lacking access to broadband services;
    - (ii) Demonstrate project readiness to proceed;
  - (iii) Construct infrastructure that is open access, meaning that during the useful life of the infrastructure, service providers may use network services and facilities at rates, terms, and conditions that are not discriminatory or preferential between providers, and employing accountable interconnection arrangements published and available publicly;
- (iv) Are submitted by tribal governments whose reservations are in rural and remote areas where reliable and efficient broadband services are unavailable to many or most residents;

- 1 (v) Bring broadband service to tribal lands, particularly to 2 rural and remote tribal lands or areas servicing rural and remote 3 tribal entities;
  - (vi) Are submitted by tribal governments in rural and remote areas that have spent significant amounts of tribal funds to address the problem but cannot provide necessary broadband services without either additional state support, additional federal support, or both;
- 8 (vii) Serve economically distressed areas of the state as the 9 term "distressed area" is defined in RCW 43.168.020;
- (viii) Offer new or substantially upgraded broadband service to important community anchor institutions including, but not limited to, libraries, educational institutions, public safety facilities, and health care facilities;
- 14 (ix) Facilitate the use of telemedicine and electronic health 15 records, especially in deliverance of behavioral health services and 16 services to veterans;
- 17 (x) Provide technical support and train residents, businesses, 18 and institutions in the community served by the project to utilize 19 broadband service;
- 20 (xi) Include a component to actively promote the adoption of newly available broadband services in the community;
- 22 (xii) Provide evidence of strong support for the project from 23 citizens, government, businesses, and community institutions;
- 24 (xiii) Provide access to broadband service to a greater number of 25 unserved households and businesses, including farms;
- 26 (xiv) Utilize equipment and technology demonstrating greater 27 longevity of service;
- 28 (xv) Seek the lowest amount of state investment per new location 29 served and leverage greater amounts of funding for the project from 30 other private and public sources;
  - (xvi) Include evidence of a customer service plan;
- 32 (xvii) Consider leveraging existing broadband infrastructure and 33 other unique solutions;
- 34 (xviii) Benefit public safety and fire preparedness; ((<del>or</del>))
- 35 (xix) Are submitted by applicants who have submitted broadband 36 mapping data to the statewide broadband office pursuant to section 3 37 of this act within the previous year; or
- 38 (xx) Demonstrate other priorities as the board, in collaboration 39 with the office, may prescribe by rule.

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1 (c) The board shall endeavor to award funds under this section to 2 qualified applicants in all regions of the state.

- (d) The board shall consider affordability and quality of service to end users in making a determination on any application.
- (e) The board, in collaboration with the office, may develop additional rules for eligibility, project preapplications, project applications, the associated objection process, and funding priority, as provided under this subsection and subsections (3), (5), (6), (7), and (8) of this section.
- (f) The board, in collaboration with the office, may adopt rules for a voluntary nonbinding mediation between incumbent providers and applicants to the grant and loan program created in this section.
  - (10) To ensure a grant or loan to a private entity under this section primarily serves the public interest and benefits the public, any such grant or loan must be conditioned on a guarantee that the asset or infrastructure to be developed will be maintained for public use for a period of at least fifteen years.
  - (11)(a) No funds awarded under this section may fund more than fifty percent of the total cost of the project, except as provided in (b) of this subsection.
  - (b) The board may choose to fund up to ninety percent of the total cost of a project in financially distressed areas as the term "distressed area" is defined in RCW 43.168.020, and in areas identified as Indian country as the term "Indian country" is defined in WAC 458-20-192.
  - (c) Funds awarded to a single project under this section must not exceed two million dollars, except that the board may choose to fund projects qualifying for the exception in (b) of this subsection up to, but not to exceed, five million dollars.
  - (12) The board shall have such rights of recovery in the event of default in payment or other breach of financing agreement as may be provided in the agreement or otherwise by law.
  - (13) The community economic revitalization board shall facilitate the timely transmission of information and documents from its broadband program to the board in order to effectuate an orderly transition.
- 37 (14)(a) Subject to rules promulgated by the board, the board may
  38 make low-interest or interest-free loans or grants to eligible
  39 applicants for emergency public works broadband projects. While
  40 developing rules, the board shall consider prioritizing broadband
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- infrastructure projects that replace existing infrastructure impacted by an emergency, as described in (b) of this subsection.
- Emergency public works broadband projects include 3 construction, repair, reconstruction, replacement, rehabilitation, or 4 improvement to critical broadband infrastructure that has been made 5 6 necessary by a natural disaster or damaged by unforeseen events. To 7 ensure limited resources are provided as efficiently as possible, the board shall grant priority to emergency public works projects that 8 replace existing infrastructure of the provider whose facilities were 9 damaged by the unforeseen event and shall not provide funds to a new 10 11 provider to overbuild the existing provider. The loans or grants may 12 be used to help fund all or part of an emergency public works broadband infrastructure project less any reimbursement from any of 13 14 the following sources: (i) Federal disaster or emergency funds, including funds from the federal emergency management agency; (ii) 15 16 state disaster or emergency funds; (iii) insurance settlements; and 17 (iv) litigation.
- (c) Eligible applicants for grants and loans awarded under this subsection are the same as those described in subsection (3) of this section.
- 21 (15) The definitions in RCW 43.330.530 apply throughout this 22 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 23 (16) For purposes of this section, a "proposed broadband project"
  24 means a project that has been submitted as a preapplication to the
  25 public works board.
- 26 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.330.534 and 2022 c 265 s 303 are each amended to 27 read as follows:
  - (1) The office has the power and duty to:
- 29 (a) Serve as the central broadband planning body for the state of 30 Washington;
  - (b) Coordinate with local governments, tribes, public and private entities, public housing agencies, nonprofit organizations, and consumer-owned and investor-owned utilities to develop strategies and plans promoting deployment of broadband infrastructure and greater broadband access, while protecting proprietary information;
- 36 (c) Review existing broadband initiatives, policies, and public 37 and private investments;

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- 1 (d) Develop, recommend, and implement a statewide plan to 2 encourage cost-effective broadband access and to make recommendations 3 for increased usage, particularly in rural and other unserved areas;
  - (e) Update the state's broadband goals and definitions for broadband service in unserved areas as technology advances, except that the state's definition for broadband service may not be actual speeds less than twenty-five megabits per second download and three megabits per second upload; ((and))
  - (f) Encourage public-private partnerships to increase deployment and adoption of broadband services and applications; and
  - (g) Develop and maintain a state broadband map in accordance with section 3 of this act and participate in federal broadband mapping activities. The department, including the office, is the single eligible entity in the state for purposes of the federal broadband mapping activities.
- 16 (2) When developing plans or strategies for broadband deployment, 17 the office must consider:
  - (a) Partnerships between communities, tribes, nonprofit organizations, local governments, consumer-owned and investor-owned utilities, and public and private entities;
  - (b) Funding opportunities that provide for the coordination of public, private, state, and federal funds for the purposes of making broadband infrastructure or broadband services available to rural and unserved areas of the state;
  - (c) Barriers to the deployment, adoption, and utilization of broadband service, including affordability of service and project coordination logistics; and
  - (d) Requiring minimum broadband service of twenty-five megabits per second download and three megabits per second upload speed, that is scalable to faster service.
  - (3) The office may assist applicants for the grant and loan program created in RCW 43.155.160, the digital equity opportunity program created in RCW 43.330.412, and the digital equity planning grant program created in RCW 43.330.5393 with seeking federal funding or matching grants and other grant opportunities for deploying or increasing adoption of broadband services.
- 37 (4) The office may take all appropriate steps to seek and apply 38 for federal funds for which the office is eligible, and other grants, 39 and accept donations, and must deposit these funds in the statewide 40 broadband account created in RCW 43.155.165.

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(5) The office shall coordinate an outreach effort to hard-to-reach communities and low-income communities across the state to provide information about broadband programs available to consumers of these communities. The outreach effort must include, but is not limited to, providing information to applicable communities about the federal lifeline program and other low-income broadband benefit programs. The outreach effort must be reviewed by the office of equity annually. The office may contract with other public or private entities to conduct outreach to communities as provided under this subsection.

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- 11 (6) In carrying out its purpose, the office may collaborate with 12 the utilities and transportation commission, the office of the chief 13 information officer, the department of commerce, the community 14 economic revitalization board, the department of transportation, the 15 public works board, the state librarian, and all other relevant state 16 agencies.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1) (a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office shall develop and maintain a state broadband map indicating the addresses of serviceable locations and capability of broadband service in this state. The office must provide the initial map by July 1, 2024, and must update the map at least twice per year.
  - (b) In developing the state broadband map, the office must use as the basis for the state broadband map the most current version of the national broadband map maintained by the federal communications commission and incorporate into the state broadband additional mapping data that may improve upon the national broadband The office must review the national broadband deficiencies and gaps in reporting to the federal communications commission by covered entities and inform covered entities of the necessity to submit accurate, updated mapping data to the federal communications commission and to the office. The office may consult with broadband stakeholders, including but not limited to covered entities with technical expertise in broadband network mapping, to determine the availability of broadband infrastructure data that is not included in the national broadband map, and may be used to populate the state broadband map. The office may use information

collected under this subsection to submit bulk challenges to the national broadband map.

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- (2) Covered entities must submit updated data concerning 3 broadband infrastructure deployment to the office twice per year to 4 assist the office in developing and maintaining the state broadband 5 6 map. The information provided to the office must include any information that is required to be submitted to the federal 7 communications commission pursuant to the broadband deployment 8 accuracy and technological availability act, 47 U.S.C. Sec. 641 et 9 seq., as it existed on the effective date of this section. The 10 submitted information must also include detailed end-user location 11 12 address information for broadband infrastructure deployment in the state. Covered entities that do not provide broadband service to end-13 users in the state must provide updated data regarding the location 14 15 of infrastructure utilized in support of end-user connections. Covered entities must submit such information to the office annually 16 17 on dates specified by the office, in a manner and format to be specified by the office. The dates of required submissions to the 18 office must be within 15 days of the expiration of the dates required 19 for submission of mapping information to the federal communications 20 commission pursuant to the broadband deployment accuracy and 21 technological availability act, 47 U.S.C. Sec. 641 et seg., as it 22 23 existed on the effective date of this section.
  - (3) The office may not administer any state grants to a covered entity that has not complied with the requirements of this section during the calendar year in which noncompliance was determined and the following calendar year. However, nothing in this section shall be construed to affect a covered entity's eligibility for a grant from the office of solely federal dollars that have been appropriated through the state budget to the office.
  - (4) The office may only share data with other state agencies or with a contractor under an agreement that adheres to the provisions and requirements of RCW 39.26.340 and 39.34.240 as applicable. The office may not sell broadband mapping data submitted by covered entities. In exercising discretion to share submitted broadband mapping data with other state agencies, the office must consider how to afford such data the greatest confidentiality protections practicable.
- 39 (5) The office may contract with a private entity or third-party
  40 consultant to develop and maintain the state broadband map. Any
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- contract entered into by the office and a private entity or thirdparty consultant for the purpose of developing and maintaining the state broadband map must specify that any mapping data submitted or developed in accordance with this section for the purposes identifying broadband serviceable locations, classifications unserved, underserved, and served, or aggregated data and statistics on broadband availability by different geography types is not the property of the private entity or third-party consultant. Such contract must also prohibit the disclosure by the private entity or third-party consultant of any mapping data submitted to the office in accordance with this section and require the private entity or third-party consultant to only use submitted mapping data to effectuate the purposes of the contract.
  - (6) The office may contract with a private entity or third-party consultant to investigate and verify the availability of broadband infrastructure and services in locations of the state where discrepancies are identified by the office, a resident, a business, an organization, a unit of local government, a tribe, or a broadband action team, regarding the status of an area or location, including community anchor institutions, as served, unserved, or underserved, within the state and federal broadband maps. The office may use information collected under this subsection to submit bulk challenges to the national broadband map.
  - (7) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, to supplement mapping information submitted by covered entities, the office may also conduct a detailed survey of broadband infrastructure owned or leased by state agencies and compile mapping data of broadband infrastructure owned or leased by the state. State agencies responding to a survey request from the office under this subsection must respond in a reasonable and timely manner, not to exceed 120 days. Fiber, cable, or other infrastructure routes and addresses reported to the office by state agencies are confidential and not subject to disclosure. In any survey request, the office may request of state agencies any information it deems reasonably necessary, including but not limited to:
- 36 (a) The routes along which state-owned fiber optic facilities are 37 in place;
- 38 (b) The cost of maintaining that fiber optic infrastructure, if 39 owned, or the price paid for the broadband infrastructure, if leased; 40 and

1 (c) The leasing entity, if applicable.

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- (8) The office may consult other state agencies and incorporate other data sources into the state broadband map as it deems helpful to the process of developing and maintaining the state broadband map.
- 5 (9) For the purpose of this section, the following definitions 6 apply:
  - (a) "Covered entity" means a broadband service provider or other entity that owns or operates broadband infrastructure in the state or offers their broadband infrastructure for sale or lease in the provision of broadband service.
- 11 (b) "State agency" means every state office, department, 12 division, bureau, board, or commission.
- 13 (10) The office may adopt rules as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 15 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.155.165 and 2019 c 365 s 8 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
  - (1) The statewide broadband account is created in the state treasury. Moneys received from appropriations by the legislature, the proceeds of bond sales when authorized by the legislature, repayment of loans, or any other lawful source must be deposited into the account for uses consistent with this section. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.
    - (2) Expenditures from the account may be used only:
  - (a) For grant and loan awards made under RCW 43.155.160, including costs incurred by the board to administer RCW 43.155.160;
- 26 (b) To contract for data acquisition, a statewide broadband 27 demand assessment, or gap analysis;
- 28 (c) To supplement revenues raised by bonds sold by local governments for broadband infrastructure development; ((<del>or</del>))
  - (d) To provide for state match requirements under federal law; or
  - (e) To develop and maintain a statewide broadband map.
- 32 (3) The board must maintain separate accounting for any federal 33 funds in the account.
- 34 (4) The definitions in RCW 43.330.530 apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 36 **Sec. 5.** RCW 42.56.270 and 2022 c 201 s 2 and 2022 c 16 s 28 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

The following financial, commercial, and proprietary information is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:

- (1) Valuable formulae, designs, drawings, computer source code or object code, and research data obtained by any agency within five years of the request for disclosure when disclosure would produce private gain and public loss;
- (2) Financial information supplied by or on behalf of a person, firm, or corporation for the purpose of qualifying to submit a bid or proposal for (a) a ferry system construction or repair contract as required by RCW 47.60.680 through 47.60.750; (b) highway construction or improvement as required by RCW 47.28.070; or (c) alternative public works contracting procedures as required by RCW 39.10.200 through 39.10.905;
- (3) Financial and commercial information and records supplied by private persons pertaining to export services provided under chapters 43.163 and 53.31 RCW, and by persons pertaining to export projects under RCW 43.23.035;
- (4) Financial and commercial information and records supplied by businesses or individuals during application for loans or program services provided by chapters 43.325, 43.163, 43.160, 43.330, and 43.168 RCW and RCW 43.155.160, or during application for economic development loans or program services provided by any local agency;
- (5) Financial information, business plans, examination reports, and any information produced or obtained in evaluating or examining a business and industrial development corporation organized or seeking certification under chapter 31.24 RCW;
- (6) Financial and commercial information supplied to the state investment board by any person when the information relates to the investment of public trust or retirement funds and when disclosure would result in loss to such funds or in private loss to the providers of this information;
  - (7) Financial and valuable trade information under RCW 51.36.120;
- (8) Financial, commercial, operations, and technical and research information and data submitted to or obtained by the clean Washington center in applications for, or delivery of, program services under chapter 70.95H RCW;
- 37 (9) Financial and commercial information requested by the public 38 stadium authority from any person or organization that leases or uses 39 the stadium and exhibition center as defined in RCW 36.102.010;

- (10)(a) Financial information, including but not limited to account numbers and values, and other identification numbers supplied by or on behalf of a person, firm, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or other entity related to an application for a horse racing license submitted pursuant to RCW 67.16.260(1)(b), cannabis producer, processor, or retailer license, liquor license, gambling license, or lottery retail license;
  - (b) Internal control documents, independent auditors' reports and financial statements, and supporting documents: (i) Of house-banked social card game licensees required by the gambling commission pursuant to rules adopted under chapter 9.46 RCW; or (ii) submitted by tribes with an approved tribal/state compact for class III gaming;
- (c) Valuable formulae or financial or proprietary commercial information records received during a consultative visit or while providing consultative services to a licensed cannabis business in accordance with RCW 69.50.561;
  - (11) Proprietary data, trade secrets, or other information that relates to: (a) A vendor's unique methods of conducting business; (b) data unique to the product or services of the vendor; or (c) determining prices or rates to be charged for services, submitted by any vendor to the department of social and health services or the health care authority for purposes of the development, acquisition, or implementation of state purchased health care as defined in RCW 41.05.011;
  - (12) (a) When supplied to and in the records of the department of commerce:
  - (i) Financial and proprietary information collected from any person and provided to the department of commerce pursuant to RCW 43.330.050(8);
  - (ii) Financial or proprietary information collected from any person and provided to the department of commerce or the office of the governor in connection with the siting, recruitment, expansion, retention, or relocation of that person's business and until a siting decision is made, identifying information of any person supplying information under this subsection and the locations being considered for siting, relocation, or expansion of a business; and
- (iii) Financial or proprietary information collected from any person and provided to the department of commerce pursuant to RCW 43.31.625 (3)(b) and (4);

- 1 (b) When developed by the department of commerce based on 2 information as described in (a)(i) of this subsection, any work 3 product is not exempt from disclosure;
  - (c) For the purposes of this subsection, "siting decision" means the decision to acquire or not to acquire a site;
  - (d) If there is no written contact for a period of sixty days to the department of commerce from a person connected with siting, recruitment, expansion, retention, or relocation of that person's business, information described in (a)(ii) of this subsection will be available to the public under this chapter;
  - (13) Financial and proprietary information submitted to or obtained by the department of ecology or the authority created under chapter 70A.500 RCW to implement chapter 70A.500 RCW;
  - (14) Financial, commercial, operations, and technical and research information and data submitted to or obtained by the life sciences discovery fund authority in applications for, or delivery of, grants under RCW 43.330.502, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in private loss to the providers of this information;
  - (15) Financial and commercial information provided as evidence to the department of licensing as required by RCW 19.112.110 or 19.112.120, except information disclosed in aggregate form that does not permit the identification of information related to individual fuel licensees;
  - (16) Any production records, mineral assessments, and trade secrets submitted by a permit holder, mine operator, or landowner to the department of natural resources under RCW 78.44.085;
    - (17)(a) Farm plans developed by conservation districts, unless permission to release the farm plan is granted by the landowner or operator who requested the plan, or the farm plan is used for the application or issuance of a permit;
  - (b) Farm plans developed under chapter 90.48 RCW and not under the federal clean water act, 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1251 et seq., are subject to RCW 42.56.610 and 90.64.190;
- 35 (18) Financial, commercial, operations, and technical and 36 research information and data submitted to or obtained by a health 37 sciences and services authority in applications for, or delivery of, 38 grants under RCW 35.104.010 through 35.104.060, to the extent that 39 such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result 40 in private loss to providers of this information;

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- 1 (19) Information gathered under chapter 19.85 RCW or RCW 34.05.328 that can be identified to a particular business;
- (20) Financial and commercial information submitted to or obtained by the University of Washington, other than information the university is required to disclose under RCW 28B.20.150, when the information relates to investments in private funds, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in loss to the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund or to result in private loss to the providers of this information;
- 11 (21) Market share data submitted by a manufacturer under RCW 12 70A.500.190(4);
  - (22) Financial information supplied to the department of financial institutions, when filed by or on behalf of an issuer of securities for the purpose of obtaining the exemption from state securities registration for small securities offerings provided under RCW 21.20.880 or when filed by or on behalf of an investor for the purpose of purchasing such securities;
  - (23) Unaggregated or individual notices of a transfer of crude oil that is financial, proprietary, or commercial information, submitted to the department of ecology pursuant to RCW 90.56.565(1)(a), and that is in the possession of the department of ecology or any entity with which the department of ecology has shared the notice pursuant to RCW 90.56.565;
    - (24) Financial institution and retirement account information, and building security plan information, supplied to the liquor and cannabis board pursuant to RCW 69.50.325, 69.50.331, 69.50.342, and 69.50.345, when filed by or on behalf of a licensee or prospective licensee for the purpose of obtaining, maintaining, or renewing a license to produce, process, transport, or sell cannabis as allowed under chapter 69.50 RCW;
  - (25) Cannabis transport information, vehicle and driver identification data, and account numbers or unique access identifiers issued to private entities for traceability system access, submitted by an individual or business to the liquor and cannabis board under the requirements of RCW 69.50.325, 69.50.331, 69.50.342, and 69.50.345 for the purpose of cannabis product traceability. Disclosure to local, state, and federal officials is not considered public disclosure for purposes of this section;

- (26) Financial and commercial information submitted to or obtained by the retirement board of any city that is responsible for the management of an employees' retirement system pursuant to the authority of chapter 35.39 RCW, when the information relates to investments in private funds, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in loss to the retirement fund or to result in private loss to the providers of this information except that (a) the names and commitment amounts of the private funds in which retirement funds are invested and (b) the aggregate quarterly performance results for a retirement fund's portfolio of investments in such funds are subject to disclosure;
  - (27) Proprietary financial, commercial, operations, and technical and research information and data submitted to or obtained by the liquor and cannabis board in applications for cannabis research licenses under RCW 69.50.372, or in reports submitted by cannabis research licensees in accordance with rules adopted by the liquor and cannabis board under RCW 69.50.372;
- (28) Trade secrets, technology, proprietary information, and financial considerations contained in any agreements or contracts, entered into by a licensed cannabis business under RCW 69.50.395, which may be submitted to or obtained by the state liquor and cannabis board;
- (29) Financial, commercial, operations, and technical and research information and data submitted to or obtained by the Andy Hill cancer research endowment program in applications for, or delivery of, grants under chapter 43.348 RCW, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in private loss to providers of this information;
- (30) Proprietary information filed with the department of health under chapter 69.48 RCW;
- (31) Records filed with the department of ecology under chapter 70A.515 RCW that a court has determined are confidential valuable commercial information under RCW 70A.515.130; ((and))
- (32) Unaggregated financial, proprietary, or commercial information submitted to or obtained by the liquor and cannabis board in applications for licenses under RCW 66.24.140 or 66.24.145, or in any reports or remittances submitted by a person licensed under RCW 66.24.140 or 66.24.145 under rules adopted by the liquor and cannabis board under chapter 66.08 RCW; and

- 1 (33) Trade secrets and financial and commercial information and
  2 records including, but not limited to, fiber, cable, or other
  3 infrastructure routes and addresses, supplied by businesses to the
  4 statewide broadband office to assist the office in developing and
  5 maintaining the state broadband map in accordance with section 3 of
  6 this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:
- 9 (1) RCW 43.330.400 (Broadband mapping account—Federal broadband 10 data improvement act funding—Coordination of broadband mapping 11 activities) and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 603 & 2009 c 509 s 2;
- 12 (2) RCW 43.330.403 (Reporting availability of high-speed internet
  13 —Survey of high-speed internet infrastructure owned or leased by
  14 state agencies—Geographic information system map—Rules) and 2011 1st
  15 sp.s. c 43 s 604 & 2009 c 509 s 3;
- 16 (3) RCW 43.330.406 (Procurement of geographic information system 17 map—Accountability and oversight structure—Application of public 18 records act) and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 605 & 2009 c 509 s 4; and
- 19 (4) RCW 43.330.409 (Broadband mapping, deployment, and adoption— 20 Reports) and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 606 & 2009 c 509 s 5.

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